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Reporting for the week ending October 20, 2013

General

On average, farmers had 4.4 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 11 percent short, 74 percent adequate, and 14 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 2 percent very short, 17 percent short, 71 percent adequate, and 10 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 34 degrees Fahrenheit at Gilbert to 44 degrees Fahrenheit at Stuttgart and Eudora. Highs ranged from 68 degrees Fahrenheit at Batesville to 87 degrees Fahrenheit at Eudora. Most of the state received significant rainfall at the end of last week.

Crops

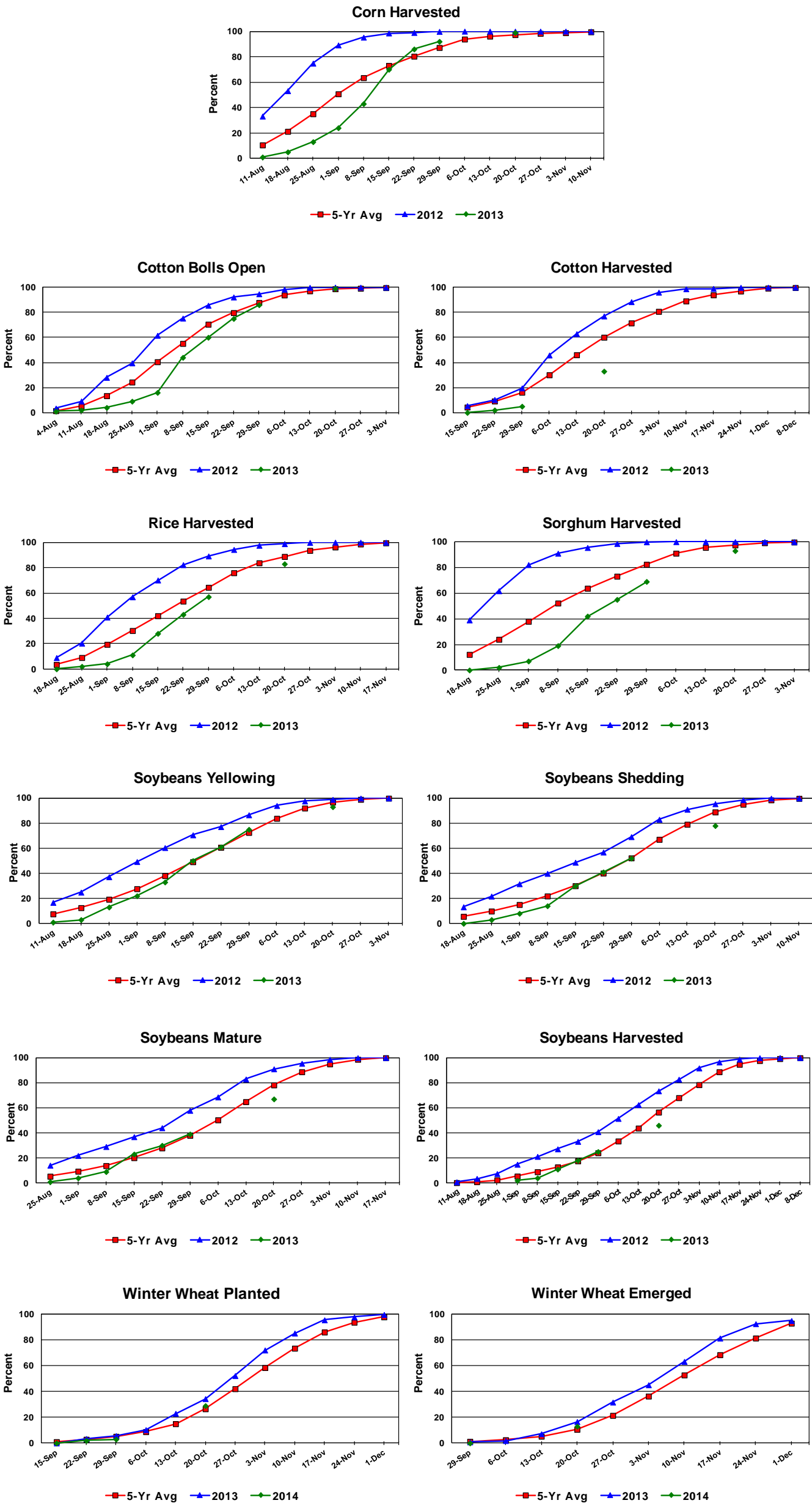
By the end of last week, the major row crops were in mostly fair to good condition. Corn reached 99 percent harvested. The cotton crop reached 99 percent opening bolls and 33 percent harvested. Rice producers harvested 83 percent of the crop last week, 16 percent behind last year and 6 percent below the five-year average. Sorghum reached 93 percent harvested. The soybean crop was 93 percent yellowing, 78 percent shedding, and 67 percent mature. Forty-six percent of soybeans were harvested. Winter wheat was 29 percent planted, and 13 percent emerged. Producers continued to harvest crops as weather permitted.

Livestock

Livestock were in mostly fair to good condition last week. Pasture and range condition were reported in mostly fair to good condition. Hay condition was mostly fair to good.

Percent of Progress					
Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week*	2012	5-Year Avg
Corn	Harvested	99	n/a	100	97
Cotton	Opening Bolls	99	n/a	100	99
	Harvested	33	n/a	77	60
Rice	Harvested	83	n/a	99	89
Sorghum	Harvested	93	n/a	100	97
Soybeans	Yellowing	93	n/a	99	97
	Shedding	78	n/a	95	89
	Mature	67	n/a	91	78
	Harvested	46	n/a	73	56
Winter Wheat	Planted	29	n/a	34	27
	Emerged	13	n/a	17	11

Condition in Percentages					
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Cotton	5	9	17	43	26
Sorghum	1	6	27	46	20
Soybeans	3	9	29	43	16
Winter Wheat	3	4	35	56	2
Hay-Alfalfa	0	6	56	38	0
Hay-Other	0	6	51	39	4
Pasture and Range	1	5	40	51	3



* Due to the government shutdown, crop progress was not released on October 7th and 15th.

Temperatures and Precipitation Week Ending October 20, 2013									
District	Station	Temperatures			Rainfall*				
		High	Low	Dep from Normal	Wk Ending Oct 20	4 wk	4 wk	Year-to-Date	
						Accum	Normal	2013	Normal
Northwest	Fayetteville	69	36	-3	1.11	n/a	4.35	35.80	37.39
	Harrison	69	39	-3	1.04	n/a	3.85	35.46	33.90
N. Central	Calico Rock	69	37	-3	1.45	n/a	4.01	45.39	35.78
	Gilbert	71	34	-3	2.47	n/a	3.96	40.63	35.62
	Greers Ferry	70	40	-2	0.62	n/a	3.80	38.69	36.95
	Mtn. Home	75	37	-3	1.07	n/a	3.87	39.85	36.06
Northeast	Batesville	68	35	-4	1.09	n/a	3.66	39.54	35.55
	Blytheville	78	41	-1	0.52	n/a	3.05	46.86	36.92
	Jonesboro	77	38	-1	1.51	n/a	3.13	40.01	35.12
	Keiser	82	38	-2	0.89	n/a	3.36	47.24	37.41
	Newport	73	41	-4	1.02	n/a	3.18	39.36	35.71
W. Central	Booneville	71	35	-4	2.71	n/a	4.11	41.04	36.99
	Clarksville	69	39	-5	2.52	n/a	3.71	38.51	37.43
	Dardanelle	76	37	-3	1.79	n/a	3.58	37.77	36.07
	Ft. Smith	73	40	-3	2.00	n/a	3.96	37.53	34.43
	Mena	69	35	-4	4.49	n/a	4.96	61.61	43.75
	Ozark	69	38	-4	2.30	n/a	3.91	41.06	36.47
Central	Conway	72	39	-3	1.28	n/a	3.26	33.31	36.19
	Hot Springs	79	40	-3	1.76	n/a	4.35	38.60	41.96
	Little Rock	77	40	-1	0.79	n/a	3.48	39.55	35.82
	Morrilton	73	40	-1	1.25	n/a	3.54	31.89	36.24
	N. Little Rock	76	42	-2	0.92	n/a	3.54	37.69	36.05
E. Central	Brinkley	79	41	-3	0.90	n/a	3.08	45.20	35.46
	Marianna	81	40	-3	1.16	n/a	2.82	41.94	37.05
	Stuttgart	80	44	0	1.04	n/a	3.07	36.07	36.22
	West Memphis	82	41	0	0.75	n/a	3.03	43.16	38.59
Southwest	DeQueen	75	35	-3	1.39	n/a	3.67	25.38	36.39
	Hope	77	37	-3	1.88	n/a	3.95	41.09	40.03
	Texarkana	78	42	-1	2.31	n/a	3.64	33.58	36.16
S. Central	Camden	78	38	-2	3.01	n/a	3.75	37.26	38.66
	El Dorado	81	38	0	1.96	n/a	3.48	32.81	38.97
	Fordyce	77	38	-1	1.76	n/a	3.79	40.46	40.76
Southeast	Eudora	87	44	0	0.47	n/a	3.70	45.11	42.49
	Monticello	81	41	0	1.73	n/a	3.24	40.21	39.30
	Pine Bluff	78	40	-1	1.09	n/a	3.21	37.30	37.12
	Rohwer	80	41	-2	2.09	n/a	2.87	48.44	37.62

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*Due to the government shutdown, rainfall does not include values from Sept. 30th-Oct. 13th.